

Listing of the Claims:

The listing of unamended claims, provided for reference only, is as follows:

1. (Previously Presented) A fuel cell comprising:

a fuel cell stack formed by stacking a plurality of cell blocks, a first cell block having a pressure loss smaller from that of a second cell block such that the first and second cell blocks have different water draining characteristics, each cell of the cell blocks having at least one separator including a plurality of grooves that form a gas passage of the separator and a plurality of ribs that are provided between the grooves, wherein a pitch between the ribs of the first cell block is larger than a pitch between the ribs of the second cell block, and a cross-sectional area of gas paths formed between the ribs of the first cell block are larger than gas paths formed between the ribs of the second cell block; and

a supply port through which gas is supplied to the fuel cell stack, and which is provided in a first end portion of the fuel cell stack, and the fuel cell stack is formed by stacking the cell blocks such that the cell block having the smaller pressure loss is disposed in a vicinity of a second end portion of the fuel cell stack,

wherein the fuel cell further comprises a discharge port through which gas is discharged from the fuel cell stack, and which is provided in the same first end portion of the fuel cell stack as the supply port.

2-6. (Canceled).

7. (Previously Presented) The fuel cell according to claim 1, wherein a shortage of gas supply occurs in the second end of the fuel cell stack.

8-9. (Canceled).

10. (Previously Presented) The fuel cell according to claim 1, wherein the first cell block is water proof.

11. (Canceled).

12. (Previously Presented) The fuel cell according to claim 1, wherein each cell of each of the cell blocks includes an electrolyte membrane formed from solid polymer material.

13. (Previously Presented) The fuel cell according to claim 10, wherein the first cell block is configured for high drainage performance.

14-21. (Canceled).

22. (Previously Presented) A fuel cell comprising:

a fuel cell stack formed by stacking a plurality of cell blocks, a first cell block having a pressure loss smaller than that of a second cell block, each cell of the cell blocks having at least one separator including a plurality of grooves that form a gas passage of the separator and a plurality of ribs that are provided between the grooves, wherein a pitch between the ribs of the first cell block is larger than a pitch between the ribs of the second cell block, and a cross-sectional area of gas paths formed between the ribs of the first cell block are larger than gas paths formed between the ribs of the second cell block; and

a supply port through which gas is supplied to the fuel cell stack, and which is provided in a first end portion of the fuel cell stack, and the fuel cell stack is formed by stacking the cell blocks such that the cell block having the smaller pressure loss is disposed in a vicinity of a second end portion of the fuel cell stack,

wherein the fuel cell further comprises a discharge port through which gas is discharged from the fuel cell stack, and which is provided in the same first end portion of the fuel cell stack as the supply port.